

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 298

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Joseph Barrett Owen,  
2003 Salutatorian of East Robertson High  
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Barrett Owen is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2003 graduating class at East Robertson High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Owen has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Barrett has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Barrett Owen's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; he will attend Belmont University in the fall; and

WHEREAS, an extremely talented and well-rounded young man, Barrett is also a member of the National Honor Society, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Beta Club, and was a Boys State Delegate; and

WHEREAS, a gifted athlete, Barrett played both basketball and baseball all four years of high school and received many awards for each; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Owen's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Bill and Cindy Owen, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Barrett Owen's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 East Robertson High School Salutatorian, Joseph Barrett Owen, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.